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PETITION TO REVIVE AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED FOR FAILURE TO NOTIFY THE OFFICE OF A FOREIGN OR INTERNATIONAL FILING (37 CFR 1.137(f))

SIR:

The applicant hereby respectfully petitions the Commissioner to revive the above-identified application. Applicant filed a Request to Rescind Nonpublication Request on September 16, 2002. However, the above-identified application became abandoned pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(iii) for failure to timely notify the Office of the filing of an application in a foreign country or under a multinational international treaty that requires publication of applications eighteen months after filing. The date of abandonment is the day after the expiration date of the forty-five (45) day period set in 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(iii).

PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.137(f), APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS TO REVIVE THIS APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b).

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STATEMENT: The entire delay in filing the required notice of a foreign or international filing from the due date for the required notice until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge AT&T Deposit Account No. 01-2745 the amount of \$1300.00, the petition fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m).

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